

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic locking device having at least one lock unit and a security key-(1), having at least one control circuit and a transmitting and receiving circuit which transmits information signals to the control circuit of the other respective unit, and having at least one data storage module-(7) which has an antenna-(7a), wherein the security key-(1) has a mechanical part-(3) with a shank-(4), which has control areas-(5), and a head-(12), and the data storage module-(7) is inserted into a recess-(13, 14, 15) in the mechanical part-(3),

~~characterized in that wherein~~ the security key-(1) is formed in such a way that it can be or is fitted with at least one second data storage module-(8, 9) which has its own antenna-(8a, 9a) and uses a different frequency to that of the data storage module.

2. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising a cap-(2) into which at least the second data storage module-(8, 9) is or can be inserted ~~is placed~~ on the mechanical part-(3).

3. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ is integrally produced from plastic.

4. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in claim 2 ~~or 3~~, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ is pushed onto the mechanical part ~~(3)~~ via the shank (4).

5. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed ~~in one of claims 2 to 4~~ claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the head ~~(2)~~ of the mechanical part ~~(3)~~ is smaller at the bottom and at least the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ is arranged in this region at the side, next to the shank ~~(4)~~.

6. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~wherein, at the side, next to the shank ~~(4a)~~, the cap ~~(2)~~ has at least one pocket ~~(6)~~ for accommodating at least the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~.

7. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed ~~in one of claims 1-6~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ is open at an upper end thereof before being placed onto the mechanical part ~~(3)~~ and at least the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ ~~can be inserted~~is insertable

into the cap ~~(2)~~ through this opening.

8. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in ~~one of claims 2-7~~ claim 2, characterized in ~~that~~ wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ is latched onto the mechanical part ~~(3)~~.

9. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1-8~~ claim 1, characterized in ~~that~~ wherein, on at least one narrow side ~~(10)~~, the mechanical part ~~(3)~~ has a milled section ~~(14)~~ for accommodating the antenna ~~(7a)~~ of the first data storage module ~~(7)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The locking device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1-9~~ claim 1, characterized in ~~that~~ wherein the first data storage module ~~(7)~~ is ~~intended~~ adapted to control the lock unit, and the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ is ~~intended~~ adapted to control a further unit and, ~~in particular~~ optionally, an access control unit, a time recording unit or an automatic vending machine.

11. (Currently Amended) Security key for an electronic locking device, having a mechanical part ~~(3)~~ which has a shank ~~(4)~~ with control areas ~~(5)~~ and has a head ~~(12)~~ which has a recess ~~(13, 14, 15)~~ into which a first data storage module ~~(7)~~ is inserted,

characterized in that said key is ~~or can be fitted~~
with at least one second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~, and ~~this~~
said second data storage module (8, 9) has its own antenna
~~(8a, 9a)~~ and uses a different frequency to that of the first
data storage module ~~(7)~~.

12. (Currently Amended) The security key as
claimed in claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~wherein a cap ~~(2)~~
which has at least one recess ~~(6)~~ for accommodating at least
the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ is placed on the
mechanical part ~~(3)~~.

13. (Currently Amended) The security key as
claimed in claim 12, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the cap ~~(2)~~
is produced from plastic.

14. (Currently Amended) The security key as
claimed in claim 12 ~~or 13~~, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the
cap ~~(2)~~ is pushed onto the mechanical part ~~(3)~~ from the shank.

15. (Currently Amended) The security key as
claimed in ~~one of claims 12-14~~ claim 12, ~~characterized in~~
~~that~~wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ has laterally protruding regions ~~(2a)~~
beneath the head ~~(12)~~ of the mechanical part ~~(3)~~, and at least
the second data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ is arranged in ~~this at~~
least one of said lateral regions (2a).

16. (Currently Amended) The security key as claimed in ~~one of claims 12-15~~ claim 12, characterized in ~~that~~ wherein the cap ~~(2)~~ has at least two pockets ~~(6)~~ into each of which a data storage module ~~(8, 9)~~ is or can be inserted.

17. (New) The locking device of claim 3 wherein said cap is pushed on to the mechanical part by said shank.

18. (New) The locking device of claim 17 wherein the head of the mechanical part is smaller at the bottom and at least the second module is located next to the shank.

19. (New) The locking device of claim 18 wherein said cap has at least one pocket for accommodating at least the second data storage module next to said shank.

20. (New) The locking device of claim 19 wherein said cap is opened at an upper end thereof before being placed onto said mechanical part to provide an opening, whereby said second data storage module is insertable into the cap through said opening.